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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Official Action, claims 1-15 stand subject to an election of species under 35 § USC 121, as follows:

- i) Species 1: an alleged species illustrated by Fig.1;
- ii) Species 2: an alleged species illustrated by Fig. 2;
- iii) Species 3: an alleged species illustrated by Fig. 3; and
- iv) Species 4: an alleged species illustrated by Fig. 4.

In response to the Election of Species, <u>Applicants elect the invention of the alleged species shown in Figure 1 i.e.</u>, <u>Species 1</u>. At least claims 1, 2, and 4-6 read upon the elected species. Claims 3, 8 – 15 have been cancelled from the application. <u>Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected subject matter in related applications.</u>

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that at least claims

1-6 are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is therefore
requested. Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be
issued in this case.

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If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the above-identified application, Applicants' undersigned Attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at 717-237-5516.

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